

EMS Grant Applications Available

The Ohio Department of Public Safety's Division of Emergency Medical Services is reminding all EMS agencies seeking funding for the 2014 -2015 award year that applications are now available.

Those applying for Priority 1 may apply online or use the hard copy application. The Electronic Application requires all applicants to use a username and password. Users who already have a password must use their driver license as the username. Priorities 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 must be completed utilizing the hard copy applications.

First priority is for training of personnel and the purchase of equipment. Only eligible EMS agencies with the main responsibility of providing continuous emergency medical services to the community pursuant to requests and/or calls from the public for emergency medical service response may apply for Priority 1 grants. Eligibility requirements can be found under the Grant section on the Web at http://ems.ohio.gov/ems_grants.stm.

Second priority is for research, testing, and the evaluation of medical procedures and systems related to adult and pediatric trauma care.

Third priority is for entities that research the causes, nature, and the effects of traumatic injuries, educate the public about injury prevention and implement, test, and evaluate injury prevention strategies.

Fourth priority shall be given to entities that research, test, and evaluate procedures that promote the rehabilitation, retraining, and reemployment of adult or pediatric trauma victims and social service support mechanisms for adult or pediatric trauma victims and their families.

Fifth Priority shall be given to entities that conduct research on, test, or evaluate one or more of the following:

- a) Procedures governing the performance of emergency medical services in this state;
- b) The training of emergency medical service personnel;
- c) The staffing of emergency medical service organizations.

Sixth Priority is for entities that operate paramedic training programs and are seeking national accreditation of these programs.

Ohio EMS Grant applications are due Monday April 1, 2014 5:00 PM. Applications are available at www.ems.ohio.gov/ems.grants.stm .